

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF)
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ORDER ISSUING A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO THE EXTENT SUCH A) CASE NO. 96-015
CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT A)
PIPELINE TO SERVICE COOPER TIRE,)
INC. IN MT. STERLING, KENTUCKY)

O R D E R

On February 21, 1996, Western Kentucky Gas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation ("Western") filed a motion requesting full intervention in the above-styled case. In support of its request, Western argues that any decision in this case favorable to the applicant, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., could have a material adverse impact on local distribution companies operating throughout the state including Western.

After consideration of the motion and the supporting arguments, the Commission finds that intervention should be denied. Western has no facilities and provides no service in the area which is the subject of this dispute. Western's interest is therefore too remote to justify full intervention.

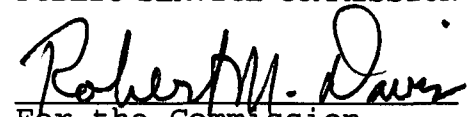
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Western's request for full intervention in the above-styled case is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of February, 1996.

ATTEST:


Executive Director

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission